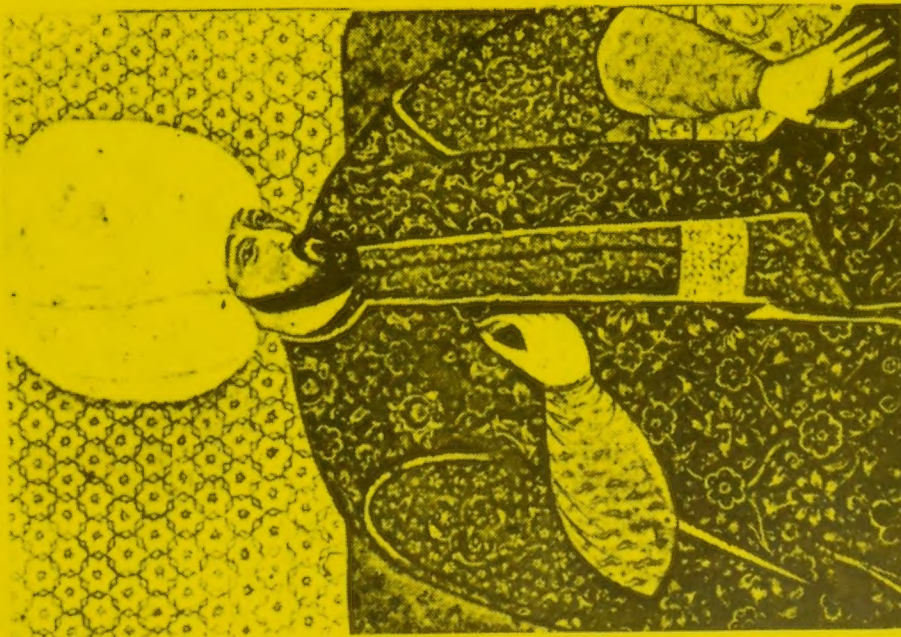


JUST DISCOVERED IN THE HOLY LAND! 400 YEAR OLD GOLD COINS OF SULEIMAN THE MAGNIFICENT... REBUILDER OF JERUSALEM OFFERED HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME AT SPECIAL LOW "HOARD PRICES."



Suleiman II, the Magnificent (1520-1566)
(Topkapi Museum, Constantinople.)

The Moslems, like the ancient Jews, forbade the use of images in art ... and therefore on their coins. Thus the coin inscriptions themselves, in beautiful calligraphy were both informative and beautiful. Arabic, like Hebrew, is written from right to left. Because certain characters may or may not be joined to their neighbors according to complex rules, and the fact that there are no capital forms of letters, the reading of these inscriptions is difficult to Western eyes.

But no one can doubt their great artistry!

The Arab language did more than decorate their coins. When in the 7th and 8th centuries A.D., the Arab armies conquered territories stretching from the shores of the Atlantic (Spain) to Sind (Pakistan), they brought to the conquered peoples a unifying new religion ... and a new language. The Arabic language was a principal factor in uniting these peoples, who otherwise differed widely in race, language and culture.

On a recent trip to the Holy Land, we were most fortunate in obtaining a small hoard of high quality gold coins minted in the Middle East by one of its most famous rulers - Suleiman The Magnificent (1520 - 1566). These gold coins, grading Very Fine or better, are about the diameter of a U.S. \$2½ Gold Coin ... but even though they are over 400 years old they are still priced at less than the U.S. Quarter Eagle!

Suleiman the Magnificent is particularly remembered because of his improvements to the Holy City of Jerusalem. Jerusalem had been wrested from the Arabs by the Ottoman Turks in 1517. It was made a province of the Ottoman Empire and remained as such up to World War I. Suleiman increased Jerusalem's supply of drinking water by repairing the aqueducts and erecting fountains. He overhauled fortifications of the much fought-over city; the present wall together with the Damascus Gate and the famous Tower of David date from his rule. And Suleiman had the exterior walls of the Dome of the Rock decorated with marble and mosaics. His was virtually the only administration that made contributions to the Holy Land in the 400 year history of Turkish occupation!



The gold coins of Suleiman the Magnificent offer a unique combination of precious metal and historical importance. That they are still underpriced in today's hectic numismatic marketplace goes without saying. Here's your opportunity to acquire one or more at a very special "hoard price." But don't wait ... judging from our past offers of hoard coins, these will sell out quickly at just \$225. each or three for only \$600.

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☐ Yes, I want to acquire one or more of the Very Fine or Better gold coins minted by Suleiman the Magnificent (1520 - 1566) and recently discovered in the Holy Land:

- ☐ One Gold Coin for \$225.00
- ☐ Two Gold Coins for \$430.00 (save \$20.00)
- ☐ Three Gold Coins for \$600.00 (save \$75.00)

Sorry because the hoard is small, there is a limit of three coins per person. Coins will be sold on a strict first come, first served basis.

☐ Payment enclosed.

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